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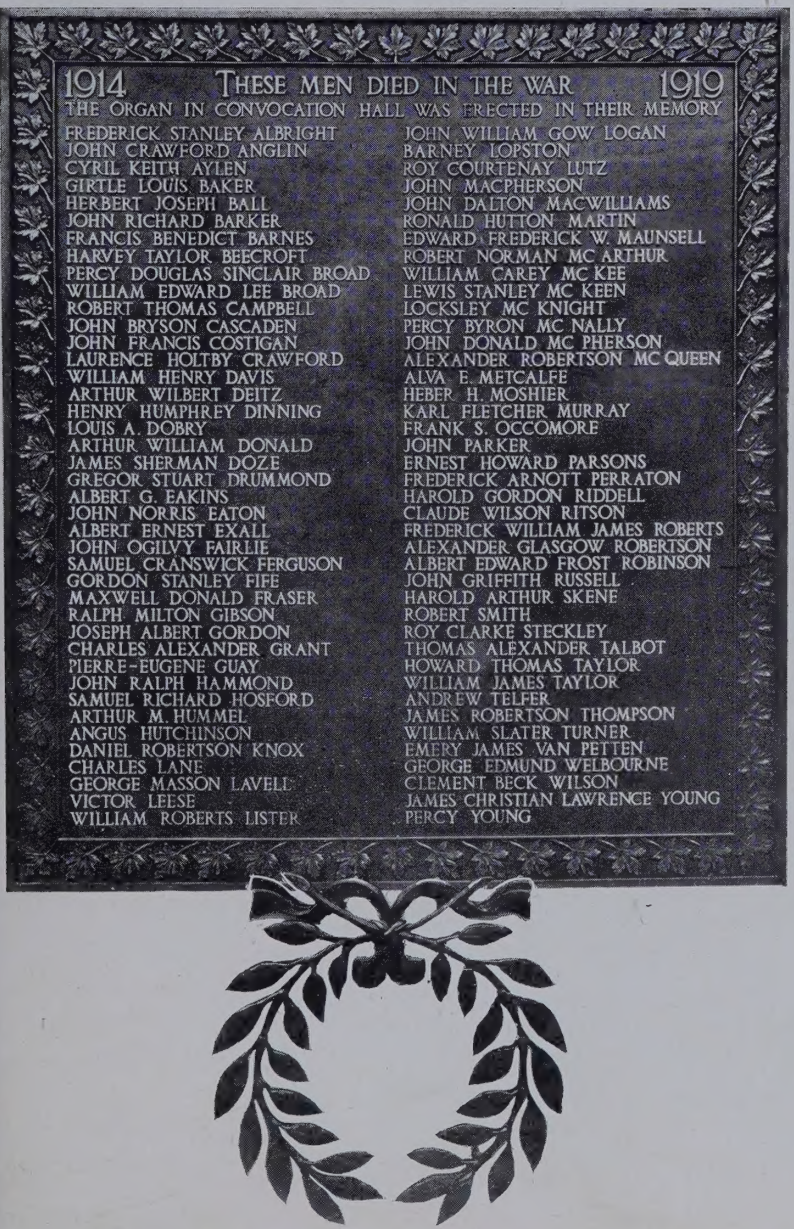
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THE University memorial to the fallen in the war has at length been completed. The work accomplished by the general committee in charge and its various sub-committees deserves the thanks of the entire University body. The subscription lists to the memorial are in themselves an inspiring record, for the organ stands as a lovely tribute, not merely from the University, but from the Province as a whole.

EVERY age has its catchword. Until the war it was progress that set afire the mind of the western world. But the war has changed all that, and cocksure belief in a linear law of progress has largely disappeared. If there is to be progress, whatever that may be, for catchwords are seldom defined, men and women are beginning to see that the loose explosives of misunderstanding, fear, ignorance, and their ilk will have to be destroyed first. That is the explanation of much of recent social organization; in our half blind ways we are seeking to understand each other a little better.

There is no group more ably equipped to assist in this process of stabilization than that composed of college and university graduates. Perhaps, after all, this is the raison d'être of Alumni organization, not merely to keep acquainted, but to stimulate each other in the giving of our best to those about us, whoever they may be.

WHY all this higher learning? What good is a degree anyway? And you know a lot of other questions like that, just as hard to answer. But did you ever try to set down in black and white just what a university training did give or do for you?

The Trail offers a book prize, to be selected by the editorial committee, for the best criticism of university aims, methods and results. Entries should not be more than five hundred words in length, to be in the hands of the Editor not later than the middle of January.

The French government scholarship given through the University of Alberta for language study in France has been awarded to M. E. Jean-Richard (B.A. 24), lecturer in French at the University of Manitoba. Mr. Jean-Richard left for France in October, and is now at the Sorbonne.

The Writer's Club offers a prize of fifteen dollars for the best short story with Alberta setting, and a prize of ten dollars for the best poem, on any subject received by the secretary before January 15, 1926. The rights of the prize-winning story and poem will remain with the club. The judges are empowered to withhold the prize if they consider that none of the manuscripts are of sufficient merit to warrant an award. The competition is open to members of the student body and Alumni of the University of Alberta.

Manuscripts should be submitted under a pseudonym with identification on a separate sheet. All entries must be sent to the secretary of the Writer's Club at the University of Alberta.

November 11, 1925

On the morning of November 11 the Memorial Organ was presented to the University.

The whole ceremony had the right sort of simplicity. After the singing of *O Canada*, Dr. Tory read a prayer specially written for the day. Chief Justice Harvey then briefly told of the University's part in the war, and called upon the Lieutenant-Governor to unveil the tablet. The tablet's permanent place is to be outside the hall near the doorway. It is wholly plain except for a border of maple leaves. The words on the top are: "These men died in the war. The Organ in Convocation Hall was erected in their memory."

As Chief Justice Harvey slowly read the eighty-two names, I suppose there was no one person in the audience to whom all the names brought clear sharp memories, but probably there was no name on the list but came alive for somebody—Sam Ferguson, tall, loosely built, with his strange half-sad smile; Barney Loptson, easy-going, light-hearted; Karl Murray, a mere slip of a boy; Howard Taylor, a mature, resolute man; and little Turner.

The reading of the names was followed by the two-minute silence. This was fitly ended by the first playing of the organ. The piece was Basil Harwood's *Requiem Aeternum. In Flanders' Fields*, sung by Mr. David Jones, came next, and then two more organ pieces: *Choral in A Minor* by César Franck, and *Largo* from the New World Symphony by Dvorak. The Glee Club then sang, *Let Us Now Praise Famous Men.* The programme ended with Elgar's *Imperial March* and the singing of Kipling's Recessional.

The organist for the day was Mr. Arthur H. Egerton, of Winnipeg.

The organ fills the ends of the gallery flanking the stage. Already it seems as if it had always been there. That it looks so well is due in large measure to Mr. Burgess, who in this, as in so many other things in the past, has worked with his usual quietness and skill.

It is seven years since the guns ceased firing. Our memorial, from one cause and another, has been long delayed; but we have it at last, and, so far as a material thing can be, it is a worthy monument to those who died to save "the sum of things."—R. K. G.

Let us now praise famous men, and our fathers that begat us.
Such as did bear rule in their kingdoms, men renowned for their power.
Leaders of the people by their counsels, and by their knowledge.
Such as found out musical tunes, and recited verses in writing:
All these were honoured in their generations and were the glory of their times.
And some there be, which have no memorial;
Who are buried, as though they had never been.
Their bodies are buried in peace.
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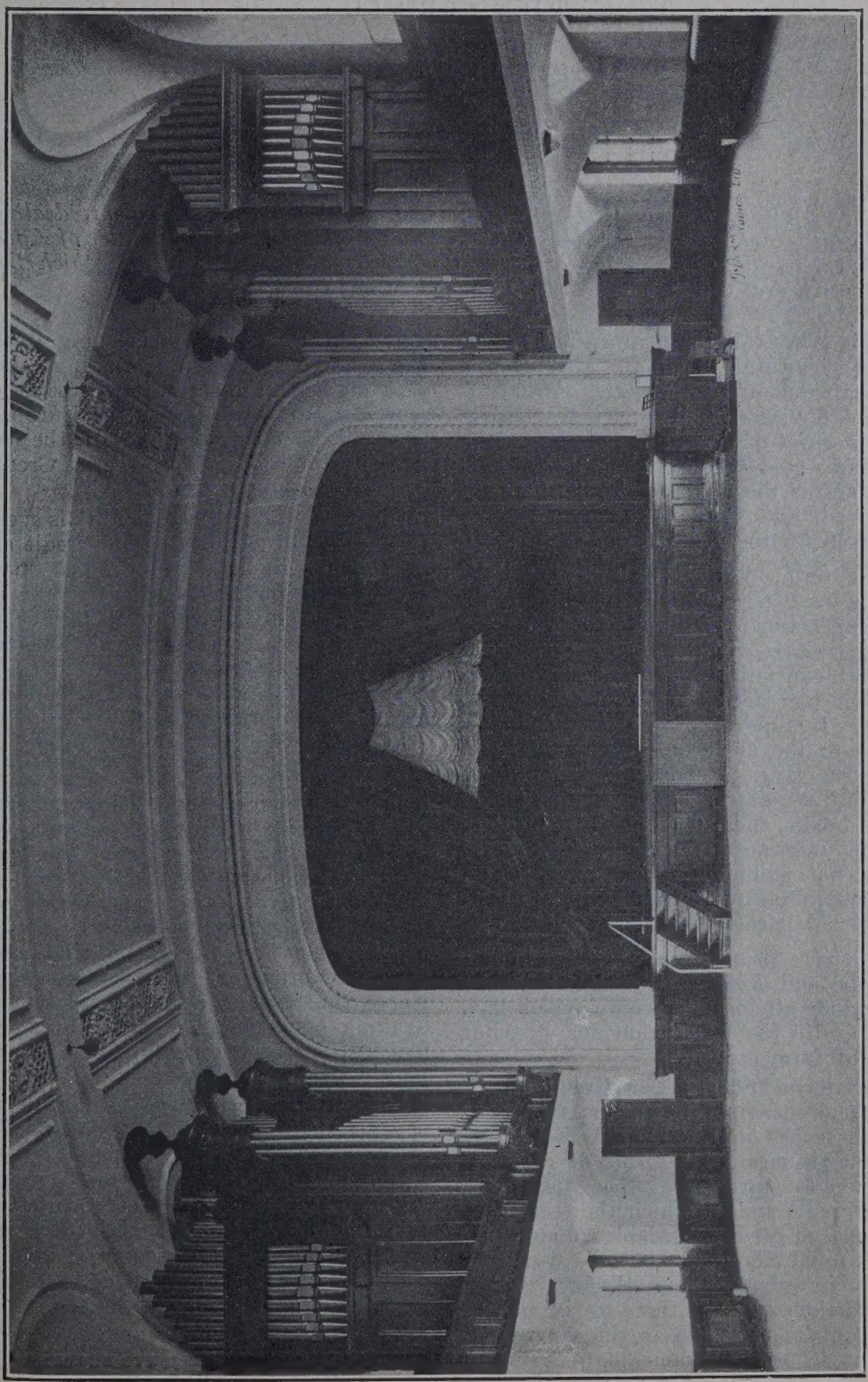
—Selected from Ecclesiasticus xliv.



Agricultural Credit

By President Tory.

The following is the first of two informal articles by the President, dealing with his recent investigation for the Canadian Government into the matter of Agricultural Credit. The second article will appear in the next issue, in which Dr. Tory will deal with some of the conclusions he has reached.

It is a little difficult in a short article on Agricultural Credit to give even a general idea of the subject. Perhaps I cannot do better in this article than to give a series of definitions of the technical terms used in connection with the subject, define the different kinds of credit involved, and state the reasons usually assigned for the provision of such credit.

The term, Agricultural Credit, itself is a general term which is used to cover all transactions relating to the financing of agriculture whether for the purpose of capital expenditure or far carrying on current transactions of a business character. In reports which I have recently made to the Government of Canada, I used the title, "Report on Agricultural Credit," as all the other terms, such as rural credit, short term credit, long term credit, intermediate credit, terms used somewhat ambiguously in much of the current literature of the day, really refer to special parts of the main theme.

The term "Rural Credit" is used in both Europe and America in a general sense to include all forms of credit which have to do with the production and distribution of farm crops.

The term "Short Term Credit" has a different meaning in Europe from that which it has in the United States. In Europe it means all forms of credit in relation to agriculture other than mortgage credit and in which the security is personal or easily negotiable collateral. In the United States the term is used generally in reference to ordinary banking transactions of from three to six months. In Canada it is used in the same sense, except in legal documents referring to Rural Credits where its meaning is the European one. When discussing European methods, therefore, it will be necessary to use the word with the European meaning as comprehensive of the two American terms, "Short Term Credit" and "Intermediate Credit."

The term "Long Term Credit" is everywhere used to mean mortgage credit and in relation to agriculture, farm mortgage credit for terms of five years or over. The only exception is in France, use of the terms, "Long Term Collective Credit" and "Long Term Personal Credit." In France these are banking, not mortgage transactions.

The term "Intermediate Credit" is always used to mean credit for a period longer than the ordinary banking transaction of from three to six months, and yet shorter than the ordinary mortgage term. The period may vary from six months to five years. The security is non-perishable farm commodities or stock security, but is not based on land mortgage. As worked out in the United States, where the term is now official, it is a banking operation, but done through a bank specially regulated to cover the longer term stated above.

The problem which the Rural Credit organizations seek to solve is how to safeguard and promote the economic interest of those engaged in agricultural pursuits, especially by providing them with such facilities for obtaining credit that they may be able to acquire the means of production and to dispose of their produce on such favourable terms as to make farming a profitable enterprise.

One great reason why all countries

have found it necessary to solve in some measure this problem is that agriculture is everywhere regarded as the fundamental industry, which if not prosperous reflects its lack of prosperity on every other national activity. This is especially true of all those countries which seek to become even approximately self-supporting.

In order to make possible the instruments of production to those whose only capital is land, the Long Term or Mortgage Credit systems arose. To make possible the seasonal operations by means of which production and disposal could be profitably undertaken, the Short Term and Intermediate Credit systems came into being.

The aims of the Long Term or Mortgage Credit systems, so far as they relate to agriculture, are:

1. To free the landowner from the necessity of borrowing directly from the individual creditor.

2. To regulate the payment of interest and principal so as to free the borrower from the danger and anxiety associated with demands for repayment under circumstances which made payment impossible.

3. To get rid of usurious rates of interest, putting agriculture in this regard on the same basis as other business equally secure.

From the effort to meet these conditions arose:

1. Land mortgage bonds.

2. Amortization, the repayment of the principal with the interest at a fixed rate over a series of years.

3. Co-operative land mortgage credit, the combining of the security of the many to secure a reduction in the rate of interest.

The reasons advanced in favour of the land mortgage bond are briefly as follows:

1. It makes possible the long term mortgage, otherwise impossible, as the individual money lender would not as a rule be willing to take a mortgage for a term of fifteen or twenty or thirty years. This can be done by the creation of a corporate body, the Land Bank, whose existence does not terminate with the death of the individual.

2. It places between the lender and the borrower an intermediary whose business it is to safeguard the loan and whose security is unquestioned.

3. It makes a more flexible arrangement for the lender, as his bonds are always available for sale in case of need or as collateral security of a high order, if desired.

4. It makes possible the use of the amortization principle, that is, the repayment of the principal of the debt by means of small annual instalments along with the interest, the payment of principal and interest alike coming out of the annual proceeds of the land.

5. It recognizes also the fact that the

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mortgage is to be redeemed by production from the land, thus establishing the security on a rational basis. The mortgage is not strictly a real estate mortgage otherwise.

6. It allows that combination of security which makes low rates of interest possible, if correct principles are followed. In so doing it establishes a reasonable limit for a mortgage and thus protects both borrower and lender.

7. If the fixed capital is raised in this way, free from personal or other kind of guarantee, it leaves the total remaining assets of the farmer free as security for his seasonal requirements for immediate production. This can be used with the ordinary bank or through the special banks, at the will of the borrower.

The aims of the Short Term Credit systems as they exist in Europe and the Intermediate Credit system as it exists in the United States are:

1. To give to the agriculturist a credit system suited to the seasonal requirements of his occupation.

2. To secure for him rates of interest for this requirement consistent with the security of his business.

With regard to the first of these aims, it is claimed everywhere by those who advocate such credit systems that the ordinary banks are not organized to meet in a normal way the claims of agriculture. It is not necessary to go over the arguments advanced, as they are quite well known. Briefly, it amounts to this:

The farmer's business does not usually give him a quick return. His period of investment is at least nine months or a year, as he has to await the processes of nature to give him his dividends. He is subject to losses by accident, disease and fluctuations in prices, causes over which he has no control, and which make special financial arrangements necessary often covering a period considerably longer than that required to produce his yearly crop. Short Term Credit of three months even with the right of renewal is to him both inconvenient and embarrassing, as although renewal may be promised the difficulty in obtaining it is much greater if crop difficulties in the meantime have arisen. Further, the ordinary commercial banks, operated especially to suit commercial and industrial conditions, to a large extent fail to appreciate the position of the farmer, who, because of his inability to meet specific banking practices, finds himself, particularly if he is a small farmer ,regarded as an undesirable customer, not because of any fault of his own, but because he is unable to marshall his assets in a manner to satisfy the bank. Hence the claim that a special financial organization with a different purpose from that of the ordinary bank is required.

With regard to the second aim mentioned above, the difficulty to be overcome arises naturally out of the condi-

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tions just stated. If the ordinary commercial bank is incapable of meeting legitimately the farmer's needs, then he must either do without working capital or resort to some other means of obtaining it. To do without renders him helpless, unless he has already acquired a surplus of his own. The only other sources open to him are the private money lender or the local merchant through whom he may buy his supplies. In either case, while credit may be obtained for the length of time required, the cost is very great, often too great in proportion to his productive capacity. The private money lender is often more hard-hearted than the banker, while the local dealer's credit is generally the most expensive of all. The latter usually considers it necessary to protect himself against loss by increasing the price of his goods, if sold on credit or by charging a higher rate of interest, if he advances money.

The Short Term Credit Banks of Europe, the Intermediate Credit Banks of the United States, and a great variety of state supported financial organizations in other civilized countries have sought to overcome the difficulties stated above by organizing the security of the farmer on a co-operative or semi-co-operative basis in such a way as to make possible credit at reasonable rates of interest for a length of time suited to his needs.

I fear that I have already taken all the space available for this article. I shall just conclude by saying that Canada is the only country in the civilized world which has not taken steps in the direction of meeting the financial needs of agriculture by the organization of special machinery for that purpose.

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A Night at Sea

By Miss J. Montgomery.

We were sailing in a south-easterly direction off the coast of Mexico. The day had been hot, so hot that we had gladly kept well in the shade of the awnings, and as quiet as possible. Even sundown brought no cooling breezes, and until midnight no one offered to retire to cabins which, on such a night, seemed, in spite of open portholes and electric fans, rather stuffy.

I tossed about for an hour or so, trying first the bed, and then the settee, but sleep refused to come. So at last, I slipped out on deck. There, although there was no wind, there was also no stuffiness, and one could breathe freely. There was no moon, and scarcely a star in the blue-black sky, but along the north-eastern horizon summer lightning was playing fitfully. At first it was confined to the north-east, but gradually it crept farther south, then westward along the southern horizon, then northward again in the west.

When I first went out the flashes came at fairly long intervals, and were like great pencils of light shooting up from the horizon. But after a few minutes they began to come more rapidly and to broaden out into sheets of steely blue. Faster and faster they came until it was hard for the eye to distinguish any interval between them. There was now no thunder, although at first when the tempo was slower, there had been a deep obligato of distant rumblings.

Now the quality of the light began to change. No longer rigid bars of steel blue light, but ripples of pale yellow ran all along the eastern horizon, and up towards the zenith. Imperceptible but rapid was the change. Warmer and warmer grew the colour, deeper and broader the flashes. In what seemed only a few moments, great waves of golden flame were surging across the sky, lighting up the whole surface of the ocean, which was absolutely smooth and, except for a low swell, motionless. The shoreline could be distinctly seen, and the chain of great peaks behind was clearly silhouetted against the light.

But in a few moments mountains, shore and sea were all forgotten; the intermittent and ineffectual flashes in west and south were unnoticed. Is it possible to hear light, to see sound? Frequently in the Bible, the prophets, at a loss for words in which to describe their experiences, use the expression—"as it were"; "I heard as it were a voice"; "I saw as it were the appearance of a man." So must I use the phrase. I heard, as it were, a light. I saw, as it were, the sound of giant flames crashing one upon another, great pillars of red gold reared in one instant as by a mighty djinn, only the next to come hurling down in splendid ruin. I do not know how long it lasted. It seemed as though I had been watching for a long time, yet had only begun to watch, when suddenly "a door was opened in heaven," a great, golden doorway, guarded above and below and on both sides by huge flaming swords. Within I could see the golden pavements of the heavenly city, resplendent in the marvellous light. I should not have been in the least surprised to see the inhabitants in white robes walking up and down, or winged angels emerging or entering, setting out upon, or returning from some errand of mercy to the earth below.

But even as I stood, awestruck, expecting I knew not what, as suddenly as it had been opened, the door was closed. I had a distinct sense of being left outside, a sense which lasted until the flaming swords which had surrounded the golden door had flashed and flickered and faded away. In the south a few shafts of blue light flashed feebly, but in the east was a black darkness, and all around a great silence. "And in the silence a still small voice."

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The following appointments have been made to the University staff this autumn:

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Professors Alan Cameron and A. F. McGoun have returned from a year's leave of absence spent at Massachussetts Institute of Technology and Leland Stanford respectively.

E. H. Moss, lecturer in Botany, was granted the Ph.D. degree at Toronto last June.

RHODES SCHOLAR, 1926

The scholar selected to represent the University at Oxford is Clarence S. Campbell (B.A. '24), and the choice is one which has met with wide approval. Mr. Campbell, in addition to brilliant scholarship, has fine executive capacity as witnessed by his handling of the Oxford-Alberta debate last year, and by his work as secretary and president of the Literary Society. He appeared this fall in senior rugby and did sterling work on the championship team, and is not unknown in hockey and baseball. Mr. Campbell goes to Oxford next autumn to continue his studies in law, and will carry with him the best wishes of the University.

CLARENCE S. CAMPBELL

Another international debate is to be held this winter. A British team composed of members from Oxford, Cambridge, Edinburgh and Dublin universities is touring Canada this winter, reaching Edmonton towards the end of February. The team chosen to represent the University has been announced to consist of W. Herbert (B.A. '24), C. Campbell (B.A. '24), and J. Manson.

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Thoughts from an Inconsiderable Town

A. L. Caldwell.

The thing, of course, began with the Editor. He it was who wrote asking for something on "any subject." Therein lay the difficulty. One finds it hard enough to write upon a definite assignment and more difficult to dilate upon a self-chosen theme when none appears to be clamoring for expression. The position is comparable to that of the little Girl Guide. Her troop were holding a reception and she was chosen as one of the two to attend the door. She objected, saying: "How can I receive? I don't know nothing to say." One finds oneself in similar straits. One remembers, too, the Editor, the difficulties of his post and his Scottish determination with regard to matters to which he has set his hand. I recall an instructor complaining to me that 96 was the least he could give the Editor on one examination. He appeared to make the statement almost as a confession of incompetence on his part, but to me now it comes back as a symbol of the inevitableness of the man's progress. Therefore one is perhaps well advised to comply with his demands when first made. The only thing that occurs to me is conversation, an informal interchange of ideas between you, who have travelled the seven seas, and me, who remain in one corner of Alberta in a town of no great size, doing what comes to my hand to do, and following as best I may the movements of friends and classmates up and down the earth. The two prime functions of this magazine, as I see it,

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should be interchange of ideas and news of our fellows, so I shall do what I can for the cause.

The incidence of the college graduate is yearly becoming more frequent in the less populous centres of Alberta. In and about our small town we have at least nine such in permanent residence. One goes to McGill this fall to take up a difficult piece of research in physics which may conceivably benefit the whole country in the future. It should not be possible for the people of this area to do soon again what they did in 1921, import a rain-maker to furnish that which Nature had omitted to provide in the years immediately preceding. The thought arises in passing that if our forbears had had rain-gauges they might not have had the crops they did. They were content to call .17 of an inch a "good shower" instead of dismissing it with utter contempt, and their "real old soaker" seems much better than our "inch of precipitation." In the case of rainfall ignorance of measurement is indeed bliss. While it may not make for a fuller pocket-book, it at least engenders an easy mind. The strain of hoping for six inches seasonal precipitation when you have had but three can only lead to hypertension.

Among our newer local acquisitions is William Stothers ('24), who coaches the basketball and track teams, startles all and sundry with his catches in deep outfield and dispenses the more or less potent mixtures of the resident physicians. Bill is an excellent example of the varied usefulness of the college graduate, and is, I believe, the only owner of a steel-shafted mid-iron in these parts.

I chanced to be in Calgary last Fall when the local branch of the Alumni Association met at a luncheon to consider the organ scheme as advanced by Mr. Laycock. It was a first-class meeting, good attendance and spirit, but what was surprising to me was the number of people whom I didn't know at all. Charlie Reilly presided as only Charlie can, Kitty Williams was there, Lillian Cobb, Georgie Thompson, Jimmy Davidson, E. C. Snider and W. S. MacDonald, but there were many who were total strangers. Miss Thompson informed me that she has done little writing of late, which is a pity, as her work was rapidly winning her the place which was her due. She is one of the several who first were emboldened and encouraged by "The Gateway." An interesting and intriguing enquiry would be as to whether "The Gateway" or Doctor Broadus has developed and his editorship of "The Gateway" Sid should have some stories worth telling.

Dr. Frank Fish has lately gone to Medicine Hat to practise. I well remember an occasion on which he went out from residence for Saturday evening and with what zealous care Kirkpatrick, Snider, Archie MacGillivray and others of us transferred his entire furnishings from his room to the hall, hastening that the task might be completed ere he returned. When everything was in order, including the Christmas cake on the table, some the greater number of literary aspirants.

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I feel that the good Doctor should be given credit for H. R. Leaver and certainly, if only through parental example and care, for his son Kemper, incomparably our most authentic voice to date. For the remainder of the score might easily show a balance to the credit of the old sheet for which so many priceless hours were given by past generations.

I observe by the latest news of the Alberta Conference that Sid Bainbridge has changed from preaching to teaching. An appalling contretemps occurred in the case of one of the Bainbridges last winter, though the central figure this time I believe was Joe. In a bonspiel the rink of which he was a member won a prize, and the prize was—a barrel of Calgary beer! The combination of Calgary and beer must have aroused a confirmed Edmontonian and staunch prohibitionist like Joe to drastic action. Sid Bainbridge should be required to contribute to this periodical in some future issue. With his several years before and after the war wag put a sign on the cake, "Aggies do not touch." Then Frank didn't come back till Monday morning! Thus many a good joke goes astray. Speaking of Aggies, I wonder if this will meet the eye of my friend, Tom Brown. If it does I should be interested to have his opinion of the movement to sell or otherwise dispose of Government House at the end of the term of its present incumbent. To me it seems one of the most untimely and inept proposals possible. There is many another economy which might first have engaged the attention of the members, notably among them a decrease in sessional indemnity. Too, our legislators in general might do well to have some training in British tradition and ideas before taking their places. At times our mode of procedure savors entirely too much of that which goes on to the south of us to be entirely acceptable to native-born Canadians.

I seldom think of genuine Canadians without calling to mind Doctor Collip, to whom deserved honours have come thick and fast of late. It is gratifying to those of us who have worked under him and know his true worth to see that he has at last been given recognition. He is an outstanding example of the pure scientist and staunch Canadian, having steadfastly refused alluring offers from other countries. Such men will be in the long run responsible if we ever develop a national consciousness. It was my good fortune to be in Calgary in 1923 when the Canadian Club of that city had him as their guest, and made him an honorary member. He whom they met to honour was one of the least striking figures of all that assemblage, which filled the main dining-room of the Palliser Hotel, and yet when he rose to speak the gathering gave nothing less than homage to this young man, little more than a boy in appearance, who had helped to bring about one of the major achievements of medical science, an accomplishment whose brilliance they could hardly appreciate, but whose significance had in at least some degree penetrated to them. It was one of the most dramatic hours in the history of the University. Never, I think, could scientist have looked less like those fictional persons who stare into a test-tube and by sheer penetrative quality of glance wring from the contents their innermost secrets.

To understand something of the difficulties which surround research you should read "Arrowsmith," by Sinclair Lewis. It is a good book as such, but as an exposition of the research worker's trials it is a classic. It is rather obvious that the doctor with whom Lewis collaborated was a public health worker and research man, for the most unconvincing parts of the book deal with Arrowsmith's venture into country practise. Somehow it lacks the genuineness of the remainder. He does not get down to the root of the whole thing, which is on the one hand pain and the other fatigue. One goes up and down fighting pain and what Osler called "The Men of Death" in the patient and fatigue in one's self. There is no luxury I can describe comparable to going to sleep after twenty-four or thirty-six hours straight. An epic could be written if one had the gift about faring

forth to battle snow for forty or fifty miles to reach a woman in labor, and then battling back again after she has been given surcease. I have had in mind, too, that one could and should write a tribute to the Nash Brothers of Kenosha, Wisconsin. They put in their motor cars something more than good materials. Apparently they give them a serene and indomitable soul. To hear the basso low-gear roar of my car miles from habitations in deep mid-winter snow and to feel it steadily forge ahead has been one of my most genuine encouragements on many a hard-fought trip.

I had a letter from Roy Stevens not long ago, from South Africa, where he holds forth as Canadian Trade Commissioner. Roy avers that South Africa, even as Southern Alberta, is a land of dry farming and dry farmers. The recently consummated British America trade treaty between Canada and the West Indies was very largely made possible by Roy's work as Commissioner in the West Indies prior to his transfer to Africa.

The best novel I have read in recent months is Margaret Kennedy's "The Constant Nymph." I can recommend it whole-heartedly. The theme is an unusual one, and while the conclusion appears somewhat abrupt, on second thought it seems none the less inevitable if one who was not the heroine was not to be allowed to claim the reader's sympathy. Miss Kennedy's style is easy and natural, and her vocabulary ample. My own vocabularly received an addition the other day when, in digging around in that excellent periodical, "Foreign Affairs," I was introduced to "solipsistic" by President Masaryk of Czecho-Slovakia in an article on war guilt. I wonder if many of my readers are in the habit of using it where it belongs. The late Bob Edwards once stated that he had tried for years to introduce the word "putative" easily and naturally into conversation or an article, and had signally failed to do so.

During the past fortnight we have had two interesting visitors at our home. The first of these was Charlie Bennet, B.Sc. '23, Sask., now a medical student in Winnipeg. Mr. Bennet had some informative remarks on Winnipeg sports and sportsmanship. Apparently the hockey crowds there can see nothing but their own amateur league, whereas it is Mr. Bennet's reasoned opinion that any of our professional teams could beat the choice of their league without undue effort. He gives much credit to the astute M'sieu Lalonde of Saskatoon for shaping the present trend of style in hockey. The eminent habitant apparently has always one more idea, value one goal, up his sleeve for the inevitable "pinch." The second of our guests was J. O. G. ("Pete") Sanderson, who, to the lay eye, looks the the part of a front-rank consulting geologist. Pete tells moving tales of the underlying structure of our Province, particularly with regard to the incidence of volcanic ash, whose presence in Alberta has only recently been made known. He with regard to the probable animal origin also put forward some interesting theories

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of our petroleum, the fact that the natural oil contains cholesterol having been hitherto unknown to me. Pete has spent one year at Yale and expects to have two more. He finds the work good, with very high standards. We had a lengthy talk over old days, during the course of which he related the difficulties that one House Committee had with an intractable youth who was a prominent man's son, the matter ending with the resignation of half of the committee. It is difficult, indeed, for student committees to influence the course of practical politics.

In speaking of student life it is regrettable that the student body in general has not some voice as to the choice of our Rhodes scholars. Those who are in a position to know tell me that late selections have been very satisfactory, but in the past there have been cases wherein contemporary student judgment ran quite counter to the Committee's decisions. Two of the qualifications which are stressed are those of athletic accomplishment and leadership among the applicant's fellows. For a time it appeared to the interested onlooker as if these clauses had been expunged from the records. Some measure of undergraduate opinion would do a great deal to confirm the soundness of the judgment of the Committee.

I am informed that during the session which has just closed it was the custom of the senior hockey team to hold practises on Sunday afternoons. This is a surprising piece of news. In the earlier days such procedure would not have been possible, and I fail to see the necessity of it now. Sunday sports are common enough throughout the Province without introducing them to the University.

A late number of the "New Outlook" has the news that N. D. MacDonald has been awarded his Ph.D. by the Hartford Seminary. Those who knew N. D. when he was a power in Robertson College will be glad to know of his success.

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and public affairs, you cannot do better than subscribe to the "Canadian Forum." It is edited by a small but talented group, including Professor and Mrs. Fairley. Mrs. Fairley will be remembered as Margaret Keeling. I well recall Professor Fairley's first meeting with the freshman class in Latin literature in the Fall of 1910. He was then newly arrived from England, where fourth formers translate passably on sight, and was unused to Western students and their lamentable dependence on interlinears. At any rate, on the opening morning he turned to the proper page in Cicero and asked the nearest student to translate. A sad quarter of an hour passed before he finally let us go with an admonition to have it prepared for the next period. Even Helen Montgomery, who was the outstanding scholar of Arts '14, had not been dallying with the ablative absolute during the long vacation. Later on, however, the instructor and the class did very well together. Such men as Professor Fairley have made of the "Canadian Forum" an independent, well-written journal dealing purely with Canadian interests. And, by the way, if you wish to read of one who was probably the greatest Canadian, beg, borrow or steal Cushing's "Life of Sir William Osler." Every page of it is delightful, and it recalls in a singularly sympathetic fashion how one of the outstanding minds of the immediately preceding generation lived, worked and grew to where the earth could not show his peer in the wide domain of medicine.

That excellent publication, "Agricultural and Industrial Progress in Canada," had a striking statement in its last issue. It said that the new Courtaulds artificial silk plant at Cornwall would employ five hundred persons, half male and half female. Synthesis, it would seem, has almost reached its apogee in this achievement. It adds a new variety to the list of the Illinois newspaper which once upon a time divided humankind into men, women and professors. And now, while considering sex, which is the sum and substance of many modern novels, perhaps I may be permitted to close with a variation on the theme. In answer to a question on Kipling's "If" on the recent grade nine examinations, one student shuffled the famous lines, putting two unrelated ones in juxtaposition and evolving as a quotation what is appended below. They embody a hope for a standard of conduct quite unattainable by me, but perhaps not beyond some of my fellow-members. Even if unreachable they make an excellent objective. They are as follows:

"If you can talk with crowds and keep
your virtue
When all about you are losing theirs
and blaming it on you."

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The Editor of The Trail.

Dear Sir,—In the last issue of *The Trail* your editorial on "Immigration" caught my eye particularly. It was certainly provocative of thought, but it is difficult to see the soundness of some of your statements.

Is it correct that the chief difficulty in the United States has been lack of assimilation, as you suggest? Any one who has first-hand knowledge of conditions in the U.S. will readily recognize that the trouble there has turned out to be "super-assimilation." A visitor to the great republic is impressed by the great number of people of foreign extraction. But they are "Americans": the most enthusiastic and devout type. The fact is that it is now a difficult task to find an American of the old stock. They have been absorbed by the tidal wave of Europe. Assimilation is something to be reckoned with in Canada, with our six million Canadians, English and French. It is true, as you point out, that our immigration policy should contemplate assimilation of the newcomers to our land; but it is equally important that we have an appreciation of proportions and be on our guard, lest we become assimilated to a new form of "Canadianism."

You speak especially of the place of the universities in this very desirable process of assimilation. But are you not a trifle hasty? The task of conforming the foreigners to our ideals of life and of government is to be undertaken in the higher institutions of learnings is to see "little red schoolhouse." The job of the that the foreign children are not taught by "little-red school marms."

It is in the small children that we must instil a love for Canada. They must be taught to respect our institutions and revere our flag. They are the ones to whom we must convey the magnificent story of Canada's growth. If they can be made to see their new home-land in perspective, by the time they are in their early 'teens, they will be assimilated. They will become a part of us as we wish Canada always to be—well-informed, high-minded and British.

The universities will have little to do directly with the process of Canadianizing. Students of foreign birth entering our colleges are, as a rule, past the age of assimilability. They are mature, and any change in their outlook will be largely the result of their own endeavors. What the colleges and normal schools can do,

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however, is to properly train and equip teachers and mentors, who will be inspired to carry to the foreign child the message and the practice of real Canadianism.

Trusting that you will not resent this slight criticism.—I am, with all good wishes for *The Trail*,

Yours very truly,

Q.V. '23.

Dear Editor:

With best wishes for "The Trail" I submit the following few remarks in favour of more frequent publication. We should publish at least four times a year, and six times a year would be even better, if it was possible. This is advisable for two reasons: (a) advertising and (b) written contributions.

As to the first, let us look at it from the viewpoint of the contributing advertiser. He will naturally advertise in a magazine which has a wide circulation and is frequently published. He wants his ads to reach as many people as possible, as often as possible. That means a more likely return on his advertising investment and increased business. Candidly speaking I do not consider the present edition which we publish only three times yearly, a sufficient inducement to our advertisers.

The second reason—written contributions—I feel is even more justifiable. The primary function at least of "The Trail" is to act a a connecting link between our Alumni Association and the graduate. The more news there is in "The Trail" about our fellow graduates, and the more often it is received, particularly news from them in the way of articles of any kind, the more value it is to each of us. It should be one of the organs through which our graduates should express their opinions on matters of local, national and international interest. We cannot hope to attain to this at our present rate of publication. A magazine of this description, only published every four months, loses its effect. By the time we receive a new issue we have forgotten about the previous one entirely. There is no continuity. This is essential if it is to be the effective link I speak of. More frequent publication will give new life to "The Trail," and will get us more material. It means more work for the editorial staff, however, and therefore I strongly appeal to all graduates to send in material and to give us constructive criticism and suggestions.—Sincerely,

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[The change suggested above will be carefully canvassed at the next meeting of the editorial committee.]

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walking down street with Mr. Smith, the lawyer? What right has he to be paying attention to other young ladies, when he has been going out with our Betty's Agnes Mary? I'll run across and see if Mrs. Window-Gazer knows anything about her. Say, Mrs. Window-Gazer, did you see those two going down the street this morning?" "Oh, yes. Our Tom says she's the Chautauqua agent. She attended the University when our young lawyer was a student there."

"It's surprising how clever Dr. Albright is! All the men swear by him! And he goes over to Bow Spring Hospital most every day! The nurses say he's the cleverest surgeon in Alberta. I haven't any use for him myself, for how can he know much when he took most of his training in Alberta. Give me a doctor with an Edinburgh degree, or one who has been trained in France or Germany; there's where they learn medicine right. Then they have a professional finish, too! Look at Dr. Smoothly over at Suave Village." (Another Native who came out from Bruce County fifteen years ago.)

The young minister announces at church on Sunday evening that Prof. A. E. Ottewell, of the University Extension Department, will give his illustrated lecture, entitled "The Development of Man," in the church on Wednesday evening. There are several small meetings held outside the church, at which varied conversations take place. Some belated sisters vehemently condemn the prospective lecture, because it comes from the University of Alberta, where so many of our young people, who used to attend Sunday school in this town, have lost their faith. Another group, made up chiefly of young men, recall some of the details of the Professor's last lecture on "Habits." The Wednesday evening lecture is fairly well attended, and the thinking element of the audience wait behind to have further discussion on the subject.

At the Parsonage that evening a U. of A. re-union is held, at which each of the periences. The Professor remarks that Grads relates a few of his small town exthis village is just typical of some hundred or more throughout the province. A happy thought is expressed by one of the girls present: "Would it be possible for our Grads connected with these small towns to combine their abilities and energies in helping to broaden out and disillusion some of our people. Moreover, they could take the lead in helping to provide wholesome means of spending leisure time. A Literary Society might be formed—possibly including a Dramatic Society. A Library, and perhaps a Reading Room, could be opened. A Gymnasium would give great service. A branch of the League of Nations would help extend the people's interests. A short course might be given on Methods of Study to supplement the High School teachers' efforts, and in this way our 'teen age young people might be encouraged to have more interest in their studies than in gadding about the streets. Individual and collective effort on the part of our Grads would do much to improve conditions in our small towns."

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Branch Notes

Mr. Jim Nicoll, who was elected president of the Calgary Branch of the Alumni Association at the last annual meeting, has, due to his absence from Calgary, found it necessary to resign. At a recent meeting of the executive, Mr. E. C. ("Snikey") Snyder was appointed president. Mr. Snyder, who is a graduate in Arts ('21) has always taken a keen interest in the work of Calgary Branch, and the executive feel sure that under his guidance the Calgary Branch will come to life good and plenty.

On the occasion of the last rugby game of the season in Calgary (October 24th), the Calgary Branch of the Alumni Association entertained the U. of A. rugby team at an informal house party, held in the home of Miss Betty Mitchell. After the victory over the Tigers that afternoon the team and alumni threw cares to the four winds and had an evening of fun and frolic. Dancing was the order of the night, but cards were also in evidence.

The Calgary Branch of the Alumni Association is planning a "Varsity Dance" to be held in the Palliser Hotel on Tuesday evening, December 29th. The various committees have already been appointed and are going ahead with their arrangements. Graduates and students of the U. of A. and graduates of other universities are invited. Remember the time and place: December 29th, Hudson's Bay Cafeteria, Calgary.

Ain't it a Grand and Glorious Feeling —to be one of a small band of rooters for the U. of A. rugby team yelling against several hundred Calgarians, and to have the U. of A. team win by a handsome margin. The Varsity rooters in Calgary on October 24th certainly felt that a lot of old scores were evened up that afternoon.

The first meeting of the Edmonton Branch was held at the University on Saturday, October 17th, and was entirely a business meeting. The Constitution and Rules and Regulations prepared by the Executive Committee were adopted, and a certain number of fees collected by the energetic treasurer. Miss Tena McQueen, '22, was elected Vice-President to fill the vacancy caused by the departure of Mrs. Teviotdale. A committee was formed to undertake a further canvass of Edmonton members on behalf of the Memorial Fund. Mr. T. D. Mothersill, '16, was to have spoken on "The Western Route," but owing to the press of business it was necessary to postpone this to some future meeting.

The next meeting is fixed for Saturday, November 21st, and is to take the form of a "party." Francis Dickins, '20, is con-

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vener of the Entertainment Committee, and is busy making plans for this meeting.

Perry Hamilton, Rhodes Scholar for 1922, is back in Edmonton, and carrying on the hunt usual in the case of young lawyers. While away Perry took his B.A. at Oxford with first-class honours in Law, and also passed his English Bar exams.

Another Rhodes Scholar, Bob Lamb, was in Edmonton during the summer, and has gone back for a third year at Oxford. Bob is also reading law.

FIRST RECITAL ON MEMORIAL ORGAN

The first recital on the memorial organ took place on Thursday evening, November 12, with Arthur H. Egerton, F.R.C.O., Mus.Bac., of Grace Church, Winnipeg, at the organ. Owing to limited space, it was decided that only the next-of-kin and subscribers to the fund could attend the recital. The renderings by Mr. Egerton will remain long in the memories of those privileged to hear him, as a fitting consequence to the day, which President Tory adequately described as the greatest in the history of the University. The programme follows:

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3. (a) Introduction and Allegro in the style of Handel ..... *Wolstenholme*
   (b) Musette ..... *Handel*
4. Three Preludes:
   (a) Prelude in B Minor ..... *Bach*
   (b) The Old Year is Gone ..... *Bach*
   (c) Prelude on the tune Veni Emmanuel ..... *Arthur Egerton*
5. (a) Reverie ..... *Strauss*
   (b) The Little Shepherd ..... *Debussy*
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As the name suggests, this corner of The Trail will welcome contributions from any graduates concerning things literary. Reviews should not exceed 250 words.

The Constant Nymph, by Margaret Kennedy (Doubleday Page).—*The Constant Nymph* is a cleverly-told tale of a family of musicians, loose in conduct and unstable in character. The cleverness consists in the minute delineation of the instability, and were there some conflict shown in the immoral tendencies there would be some justification for the book's appearance. It reminds us of Wycherley. (H.R.L.)

Arrowsmith, by Sinclair Lewis (Harcourt, Brace).—The book deals with the progress of Martin Arrowsmith, who, starting out with the medical profession in view, finally discovers that his flair is research, and at the end is left happily in pursuit of things biological.

There can be no quarrel with the author for his story. It is gripping and well played. Nor can we doubt that the Gottliebs exist aplenty. But it is doubtful if the Gottliebs and the Loebs are at all representative of Science—at least, we hope they are not. They impress the layman at any rate, as men, guided by a beam of truth narrow and intense, who forget that life is more than laboratory, and that truth is not peculiar to science, any more than it is to poetry or religion.

And so runs our quarrel with Mr. Lewis throughout. Simply that his observation is shallow and uncritical; in seeing much he sees little. We believe Mr. Lewis has much to learn of the critics; if he were here, we should likt to refer him to one, as good as any other, friend Anthony Trollope. (A.J.C.)

Strange how some books are so quotable. The following from *The Interpreter's House* by Struthers Burt (Scribners) is irresistible: "These younger people fell into the simple old divisions, usually forgot. Most of them were vulgar and loud and ugly, but then most of the rest of the world was vulgar and loud and ugly. Whenever the gentle and low-voiced and unselfish began to outnumber the loud and the vulgar, the majority of problems now so vexatious would automatically be solved."

Isvor—Country of Willows, by Princess Bibesco; translated by Hamish Miles (W. Heinemann, London).—The author of this delightful study of Roumanian peasant life must not be confused with Elizabeth Bibesco, née Asquith. She is a Roumanian by birth. Indeed, the slender thread of the story hangs on the fact that she must choose between a foreign lover or her native land, for in the Country of Willows no foreigner can hold land. She gives herself a year to decide, a year which she devotes to the peasant folk on her own and neighboring estates. The book is really a series of delicate and sympathetic sketches of the customs and traditions of these people.

One remembers, as one reads, that Dacia was the last province to be conquered by the Romans, and that Roumanians today are the descendants of conquerers and conquered. The survival of the pagan spirit of gaiety, and the blending of ancient Roman rites with Christian beliefs and ceremonies, constitute much of the charm of the book. Every Christian festival is made an excuse for abandoning work and indulging in games or mystic rites. On Easter Tuesday there are—"Swings in the village; you will see and hear nothing but swings. They are swinging in memory of Judas hanging himself." While they swing, they chant a quaint little round "which must be as old as the world." The book abounds in such lyrical snatches—strange invocations, prayers, laments. The marriageable girls pray to the sun: "O sacred sun, of the four and forty aureoles—do thou keep four and give me forty! Place thy rays between my eye-lashes. Let me become as the white cherry tree of the mountain, flowering in the forest."

The child-like improvidence of these people, the haunting cadence of their songs, endear them to us as to the prin-

cess herself, who, at the end of the year, writes to her lover: "The soil has taken me, as one day it was bound to do. I have ceased to be myself. I am one with all things, merged and lost within nature herself." (G.H.T.)

Though the identity of L. Adams Beck and E. Barrington have been merged, it is hard to find a point of contact between such stories as *The Treasure of Ho*, by Beck, and *The Ladies*, by Barrington. The former breathes the mystery and romance of the Orient. The latter conjures up the speech, manner, and artificial gaiety of court life in the 18th century. We have extracts from the diary of Pepys' wife, a new version of Stella's story, while Fanny Burney appears as the court blue-stocking.

Fanny Burney has a rôle also in *The Princess Amelia*, by Carola Oman. This is the story of the life and love of the youngest daughter of George III. It gives a sympathetic picture of the farmer king and an intimate view of his court, and though at times it may verge on the sentimental, it has a simplicity of theme and style that is refreshing after a diet of sophisticated problem novels.

In *Messer Marco Polo*, by Byrne (Goodchild's, Toronto), we have a mediaeval travel story transmuted through the medium of an Irish imagination and retailed with an Irish brogue. From the cosmopolitan scene in a Venetian wineshop, the story shifts to the grim desert with its whitening skulls, and on to the garden of the Khan, as fantastic as a Chinese plate, where Golden Bells "sits in the dusk, playing her lute, and singing the song of the Willow branches, which is the saddest love-song in the world. . . ." The story will while away a delightful hour. (G.H.T.)

An attractive little book of special interest to readers of Dickens has just been published in Edmonton, entitled, "*The Mystery of John Jasper.*" The author is H. R. Leaver (M.A. '18), instructor in English, McDougall High School, Edmonton, and a member of the editorial committee of *The Trail.*

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Basketball.

An ambitious programme has been drawn up by President Muir of the Basketball Club for this coming season. Besides the regular league games that are called for in the provincial tournament, it is the intention of the club to have three, or possibly four, games before Xmas. One of these games will probably be between the old timers and Varsity, while the remaining games will see one, or possibly two, of the city teams in action against our hoop artists. Later on in the season the basketball team from the University of Saskatchewan will be entertained here in the Inter-University series. Negotiations are also being carried on with coast teams for games during the Xmas vacation. The usual House League basketball series, which has always proved so popular with those not trying out for senior teams will be carried on as well.

With the exception of Syd. Stephens and Greenlees, the senior squad of last year is practically intact, and Coach Jimmie Bill has hopes of turning out another championship team.

Track.

For the sixth consecutive time since the inauguration of the event in 1920, Manitoba won premier honors in the Western Intercollegiate track meet by taking a total of 75½ points against Alberta's 41½ and Saskatchewan's 27 points.

The meet was held at Winnipeg on a muddy and snow-covered field that greatly hampered the performance of the competitors. Despite the heavy field, however, three new records were established. Aubrey Bright, the Alberta star, smashed the old shot-put record of 37ft. 2in., by a beautiful heave of 40ft. 2in. He also broke the old hammer record by eight feet with his thrown of 108ft. 6in. Slominski, of Saskatchewan, broke the old javelin record of 142ft. with his new record of 154ft.

The outstanding star of the meet was a newcomer in the ranks of Western Intercollegiate track men by the name of Ball. Running for Manitoba, he obtained first place in the 100, 220 and 400 yard dashes to give him 15 points and the grand aggregate.

Sproule, of Alberta, ran a fine race—the three mile—to beat out Starke, the Saskatchewan favorite, while Werthenbach added 10 points to Alberta's total by winning the 220 hurdles, second in the 120 hurdles and thirds in the 220 dash and broad jump.

Rugby

Only two teams this season were entered for the Provincial title, the Calgary Tigers, under the direction of Bob Priestley, and Varsity with Jimmie Bill as coach. In two preliminary exhibition games, the Tigers downed Varsity by scores of 34-5 and 5-2. The first game for the title took place at Calgary, Oct. 24, with Varsity confident and Calgary a bit worried as to the outcome. A new system of signals contributed to some extent to the defeat of the Tigers, and it was a happy team that found its way north with the score 19-11 to their credit. The Tigers were stale a bit, and the silent signals, heady work on the part of Woods, the Varsity quarter, and a line that would not be broken, tell the story of a notable victory.

The large gathering of Alumni at the game gave vent to their enthusiasm at the close with an old time snake dance over the field, Jimmie McMillan and Hugh John Macdonald being much in evidence.

The second and final game was played the following Saturday on the University field under perfect weather conditions. For the first six minutes of play the Bengals looked dangerous, making yards on several occasions, in the end scoring a safety touch for two points. Thereafter the game was never in doubt, the final score being Varsity 18, Tigers 4. Add to the flawless team work, perfect condition

and individual brilliance, and the secret of the victory is made plain. To old graduates in attendance it brought back memories of that wonder team of long ago, when Ernie Parsons and his glorious crew won the western title. Being old graduates, the 1925 team wasn't quite as good as the old redoubtables, and no team ever will be, but it is a wonderful team and no mistake. Here is the lineup for the second game: Half-backs, Piper, O'Brien, Campbell, Hill; quarter, Henderson; center, Lawrie; middle wings, Laverty, C. A., Selnes; inside wings, Agnew, Potter; outside wings, MacDonald, Eby; subs, Laverty C. M., Ferguson, McLaren (captain), Woods, McCallum, Bright, McCalla, Pingle.

Inclement weather has prevented the play-off for the western championship this year, much to the disappointment of the University generally. At the moment of writing, however, arrangements are being made for two exhibition games in Vancouver, one with the University of British Columbia, and the other with the Vancouver all-stars.

Hockey.

Of last year's team, MacDonald, Power, Morris, Melnyk, Mutchmor, Runge and Foster are back, and of the freshmen there are two at least, who have reputations for dangerous stick handling. Bill Whittacker will guide the destinies of the team this winter.

Boxing.

The Boxing and Wrestling Club, now a real headliner in University sporting circles, will swing into action during the early part of November. New equipment has been purchased, and with the services of a good instructor, the club should even exceed its last year's splendid record, when it received the highest standing among all the officers training corps in Canada, as well as winning two provincial championships.

Sparks from the Treasurer's Anvil

The engagement is announced of Miss Pauline Lewis, of Edmonton, to Dr. Marshall Mallett, of Mundare, marriage to take place early in December in Calgary.

Since our last issue we have heard from Miss Jean Hope, who gives her address as 1354 10th Avenue West, Vancouver, B.C.

Also from Miss Susan McLennan, who writes from 4711 19th Avenue, N.E. Seattle,

Miss Beatrice Buckley writes from Gleichen, Alberta, where she is working, as she says, at "anything and everything to raise funds for Normal, as I intend to enter in January. My latest adventure has been cooking for threshers to the tune of 'Groans from the crew'." The following is a quotation from her letter: "I notice a short article in the July issue of the Trail stating that the Alumni Executive was intending to prepare an Alumni reading list to serve as a guide to graduates after they leave the University. Personally I think the idea is a splendid one, for many of us who have graduated dread the possibility of dropping back into our haphazard, pre-Varsity habits of reading, yet are very much puzzled as to just what books to select."

We have also heard from Miss Florence Fleming, who writes from Ponoka, Alta.

Also from T. P. Devlin, who is with the Nor'West Farmer Magazine at Winnipeg.

Dr. E. C. McLeod, Secretary of the Vancouver Branch of the Association has forwarded fees for seven new members who are L. B. Brown, 595 18th Avenue West, J. E. Jaffray, 1407 Main Street; Dr. W. J. Seyer, University of B.C.; G. D. Dawson, c|o Sidney E. Jenkins Co., 837 Hastings Street West; H. C. Jackson, c|o Regal Films, Ltd., 553 Granville Street; E. G. Wallbridge, c|o Campbell Motors, 2000 Granville Street.

We are indebted to a former treasurer, R T. Hollies, for the following addresses:

Miss Marjorie Walker, 1170 15th Avenue West, Vancouver, B.C.

Miss Jenny Stothers, R.R. 2, Calmar, Alta.

Horace A. Tomlinson, Marlboro, Alta.

Miss Lois Black, Apartment 23, 353 Grand Avenue, Oakland, Calif.

J. W. Howe, Grand Prairie, Alta.

A. J. Scroggie, 108 Romnie Street, Urbana, Ill.

A. A. Fraser, 130 Crafton Street, Pittsburg, Penn.

Mrs. Sarah O'Connor, O'Reilly, Ont.

Mr. Gordon Malaker is at the School of Agriculture at Vermilion, Alta.

Bill Grindley is with the Department of Agriculture at the University of Minnesota.

Charlie Richert is at the Experimental Farm at Lethbridge.

Ernest Buckingham is with the Dominion Seed Branch at Calgary.

Miss Lucile Barker has returned to her studies in California. Her present address is 208 Escabila Avenue, South Gate, Paloalto, Calif.

R. J. Whitbread is with the School of Agriculture at Vermilion.

Kimberley, B.C., can boast of a regular U. of A. "gang"—Alec Jackson, Bill Burgess, Frank Marleau, Doug York are all employed by the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Co., Mrs. James Evans (neé Helena Kerr) is wife of the United Church minister there, and W. F. Lavasseur is dispensing drugs.

Coleman, Alta., can also boast of a U. of A. gang—H. Wilton-Clark and Bill Jewett are employed by the International Coal and Coke Co.; Ross Powell, Wes. Watts and Jean Stewart are teaching there, Mrs. Frank Graham (neé Bessie Fraser) is wife of the postmaster.

W. O. Baldwin (B.Sc. '25) left Calgary recently for Hamilton, Ontario, where he will take the course in electrical engineering for university graduates given by the Canadian Westinghouse Co.

Cliff Underwood (B.Sc. '25) has joined the Canadian Signalling Corps, and is now located at Camp Borden.

Jimmie McMillan ('24) and Max Palmer ('23) were in town for the memorial opening. We are indebted to Jimmie for the Calgary news, and for items regarding some of the engineers—W. E. Symes ('24) and H. B. Labourveau are with the Calgary Power Co., the former at Leebe, Alta., and the latter at Calgary.

Bill Swift ('24) is teaching at Provost, while Johnnie Milne ('24) waves the academic rod at Bellis.

Stuart Jaffray ('21), after three years in Chicago, is back in Edmonton.

J. A. Tames ('25) is now with the Canadian Westinghouse at Hamilton.

W. T. Fanjoy ('24) is at Peterborough with the General Electric.

Mac Millard ('24) was admitted to the bar recently, and is at present in Calgary.

J. Boyce ('25) is at Coleman dispensing things pharmaceutical.

E. W. White, '24, is teaching at Enchant, Alberta.

Edna Wallace, '24, is teaching at Lloydminster.

Sid Bainbridge, '21, is principal of the school in Lamont.

W. A. Kelly, '21, who recently received his Ph.D. degree, is now an instructor in Geology at Princeton.

We had a visit this summer from Charlie Reid, '23. He has now returned to Harvard University.

As you drive down into Bentley, Alberta, you will see a neat little building bearing the sign, "Dr. Henry." That's Bill, '21, and a very busy doctor he is.

Andrew Cairns, '23, who is now studying at the University of Minnesota, was a welcome visitor at the U. of A. early this fall.

L. C. Chadsey, '22, dropped around also a few months ago, and gave us news of a number of former Alberta Meds.

Talking of Meds—Just as we are writing this we hear that Sandy Caldwell and Mrs. Caldwell have come up from Empress to attend the opening of the memorial organ.

T. W. Grindley, B.A. '23, B.Sc. '25, has gone to the University of Minnesota, doing part time teaching and study in agricultural economics.

Vernon Way, M.A. '25, has begun study at Harvard in

J. McMillan (B.Sc. '24) was one of the few to use the blank page in the last issue. He says: "Enclosed please find my contribution to the memorial fund, which is probably the best news I can send you. Sorry I can't make the news larger." Jimmie's address is c|o Canadian Westinghouse Co., Ltd., Calgary.

Sandy Caldwell (McGill, '21) is still chief medico at Empress. We hope you'll read his pot pourri of good things in this issue.

Have you paid your fees yet?

The engagement of Margaret Shanks (B.A. '24) to J. O. G. Sanderson (B.Sc. '22) was announced in October.

A. D. McGillivray, B.Sc. '21, was seen in these parts recently. He is now superintendent of the Noranda Gold Mine, Rowyn City, Que. We hope A. D. Mac. will remember us.

Roy C. Jackson, B.A. '15, has joined the legal firm of Byers and Hefferman, Edmonton. Abe Miller, LL.B., has gone into parnership with H. M. Dawson.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Huskins are in London, England, where C.L. is studying under Professor Gates, at King's College.

Esther Prevey, B.Sc. '25, is a dietician at the General Hospital Vancouver.

Charlie Flack, B.A. '25, is at the University of Illinois, Urbana, Ill., studying library methods.

Margaret Clarke, B.Sc. '25, spent the summer a pupil dietician in the Winnipeg General hospital.

The engagement of Katie McCrimmon, B.A. '17, and Russell Love, B.A. '20, has been announced, the wedding to take place sometime in November.

Flora Moffat, B.A. '24, is attending Brown University, Providence, R.I.

W. A. Jarrett, B.A. '23, and H. R. Luoren, B.A. '23, are studying medicine at McGill. H. W. Crawford, B.A. '24, is studying medicine at Toronto.

Allen Mail, B.S.A. '25, is doing graduate work in entomology at the State College of Agriculture, Montana.

Mrs. E. T. Mitchell, M.Sc. '12, of Austin, Texas, is, in her phraseology, "doing a little work" at the University of Texas.

The address of Dr. H. E. Dowling is c|o Congress St. Medical and Surgical Clinic, Detroit.

Dick Bryden, B.Sc. '22, is doing some work at the Carnegie Institute of Technology. His address is 130 Grandin St., Crafton, Pittsburg.

C. S. Bissett, B.Com. '25, has been appointed to a junior trade commissionership at Ottawa.

Daphne Koenig, B.A. '22, is, we believe, doing graduate work at Columbia Teachers' College, New York City.

Bill Howson, LL.B. '15, was elected, last September, to the presidency of the Edmonton District Bar Association.

Fred Etheridge, B.Sc. '24, has been working for the B.C. Electric survey at Shalalth on the P.G.E. Railway, 150 miles north of Vancouver.

M. E. Jean-Richard has left the University of Manitoba for a year in Paris, having received a scholarship from the French Government.

Kemper Broadus has learned to blush since he started lecturing to the girls of Barnard College (in affiliation with Columbia).

Gordon Lee, B.A. '24, is continuing his medical course at Toronto.

Charlie Reilly writes to the editor early in September, after returning from Banff: "Snider and I rambled as far as Lake Louise in his old Ford. We had three blow-outs in the first fifteen miles, and managed to make Cochrane on a flat tire. We got fixed up there, and had no trouble after, except that I ran into a truck of Brewster's and bent up our fender rather badly. Red Jamieson was with us for a few days, and managed to let the general populace know we were holidaying."

Harry Shankman, B.A. '22, was seen this summer in Vancouver while en route to Victoria. He and a chum motored from Great Falls, Montana, to the coast. Their trip, according to Harry, was one continuous round of thrilling experiences, including "wine, women and song."

Miss B. Timmons, B.Sc. H.Ec., who has been spending the summer as dietitian in the General Hospital, has accepted the position of Domestic Science Instructor in the Vancouver schools for the ensuing year.

W. P. Calhoun, B.A. (Dalhousie), a former student in dentistry at Alberta, spent last year at Portland Dental school. During this summer he has been acting as an assistant to Dr. Gilchrist of this city. Rumor has it that "Kelly" will return to the U. of A. to complete his course.

Marriages and Births

Marriages

Wilson—McIntosh—At Edmonton, on Sept. 7th, 1925, Jeanette Thompson, B.A. '21, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. McIntosh, 9722 106th Street, Edmonton, to Dr. Horace Orvil Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Wilson, of Baldwin Park, California. Dr. and Mrs. Wilson have made their home at Spirit River.

Thom—Fisher—At Edmonton, on Oct. 5th, 1925, Florence Edith, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Fisher, to John MacGregor, Thom, LL.B. '24. Mr. and Mrs. Thom have made their home at Jasper Park.

Owen—Gibson—At Edmonton, on Sept. 5th, 1925, Miss Grace Gibson, to Mr. Phillip Owen, B.Com. '24. Mr. and Mrs. Owen have made their home in Edmonton.

Scott—Cowan—At Edmonton, on Wednesday, Sept. 2nd, 1925, Katie Sinton, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hector Cowan, to Dr. Walter Hepburn Scott, elder son of the late Honorable D. L. Scott, Chief Justice of Alberta, and Mrs. Scott. Dr. and Mrs. Scott have made their home in Edmonton.

Cruickshank — Duncan — At Edmonton, on Sept 1st, 1925, Grace, B.A. '20, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Duncan, 8520 104th Street, Edmonton, to Norman, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Cruickshank, 86th Avenue, Edmonton. Mr. and Mrs. Cruickshank have made their home in Edmonton.

Baker—Main—At Winnipeg, on July 25th, 1925, Mary, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Main, Battle Bend, Alberta, to Robert Mills Baker, B.Com. '24, Regina. Mr. and Mrs. Baker have made their home in Regina.

Cormack—Villy—At Edmonton, on August 21st, 1925, Barbara Lloyd, B.A. '24, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Villy, to Eric Wyld Cormack, B.Sc. '25, of Tees, Alberta, formerly of Scotland. Mr. and Mrs. Cormack have made their home at Tees.

Simpkin—Sepulveda—At Rancagua, Chile, on February 22, 1925, Maria Mercedes Sepulveda to Douglas Simpkin, B.Sc. '22.

Webster—Henderson—At New York City, on Thursday, Sept. 3rd, 1925, Alice Eleanor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gladstone W. Henderson, to Daniel Alec Webster, B.A. '22.

Lehmann—Murray—At Twickenham, England, Patricia Murray, second daughter of Major and Mrs. Murray, Indian army, to Ferdinand Lehmann, M.Sc. '22, son of Professor and Mrs. Lehmann, the University of Alberta, Edmonton.

Liesemer—Bishop—At Calgary, Aug. 26th, 1925, Gwendalyne Bishop to Dr. Eldon Liesemer, Med. '25. Dr. and Mrs. Liesemer have made their home at Innisfail.

Fraser—Eadie—At Edmonton, on Oct. 27th, 1925, Violet, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eadie, to Arthur Fraser, B.Sc. '24. Mr. and Mrs. Fraser will make their home at Pittsburg.

Morrow—Perry—At Edmonton, on Nov. 2nd, 1925, Lola May, daughter of Mrs. Anna Perry, Lethbridge, to Dr. Robert Morrow, Med. '25. Dr. and Mrs. Morrow will make their home at Westlock.

Gillespie—Cory—At Trenton, Ont., Sept. 11th, 1925, Ethel Cory, R.N., to Dr. Fulton Gillespie. Dr. and Mrs. Gillespie have made their home at Edmonton.

McColl—Russell—The marriage of Marjorie Russell to Mack B. McColl (B.S.A. '22) took place at Edmonton, Nov. 14.

Births

Stanton—At the Royal Alexandra Hospital, Edmonton, on August 31st, 1925, to Mr. and Mrs. Hugh E. Stanton, a daughter.

Bridgeman—At Cambridge, Mass., to Mr. and Mrs. Bridgeman (neé Bessie Gardiner), a son.

MacLeod—At Edmonton, on July 11th, 1925, to Dr. and Mrs. H. J. MacLeod, twins, Donald Montgomery and Dorothy Montgomery.

White—To Mr. and Mrs. Harry White, November 6, at Mundare, a daughter.

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